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Hi!

I'm a french BeOS developer, and I've decided to write this e-mail in trying to be the most honest I could never be.

Micro\$oft used to have some commercial technics punished by the antitrust law. It's not a fable, but those technics are so hided that they could appears like fables. M\$ have encouraged the piracy (not in a visible manner, but I'll never believe that an entreprise able to develop an OS couldn't do better software protection), and in this way M\$ killed his enemies. In fact, around 90's, someone who would buy an office suite was able to buy many different kind of suite (like lotus, corel). The question was althought : "Hmmm, MS Office is really expensive.... I prefer buy Lotus Note". Now, this question is totally different! "Hmmm, MS Office is too expensive... No matter! I will burn it". You follow?

It's with this sort of technics that Microsoft win the OS and Offices suite market, and it's whith this sort of technics that Micro\$oft killed our beloved BeOS.

Thank you for your attention, and do the justice like the USA is knowed pretend to do it : in the better way.

Friendly, Xavier Gu  rin.